

# PRINCE CUPID AS A REPUBLICAN WILL BE THE PARTY NOMINEE FOR DELEGATE TO CONGRESS

## Convention Frames Declaration of Principles and Names Committeemen.

### Decision as to the Nominee is Reached After Long Debate Which Follows Harmonious Preliminaries.

PRINCE CUPID KALANIANA'OLE will be the Republican nominee for Delegate to Congress. This was decided last night at a caucus of the delegates to the Republican convention, which, receiving the announcement that Prince Cupid had come out squarely as a Republican with cheers which reached the street, without hesitation, waiting only for the speeches of the friends of the Prince, decided by a vote practically unanimous that he should have the nomination.

This culmination came after a day full of stirring events. It was a day of hard work and as well of conferences which tried the patience and called for the skill of the leaders. First it was the hope of a union of all the opposing forces against Wilcox; then it was a declaration of Republicanism against the opposition and this staunch feeling was successful and the prince, who has been feeling the pulse of his fellows for a month past, following the impulse which has been animating his actions ever since his defection from the Delegate announced his firm adherence to the faith of the majority party of the nation and within the hour the Republicans had declared that he should be their standard bearer.

The first sessions of the convention of the Republican party of the Territory of Hawaii were full of hard work and abounding enthusiasm. It was a time of harmony and there was no one so weak in party allegiance but felt the impulse of the enthusiasm which showed in every utterance of orator or mover of worker. There was a struggle over the county government plank but that was only a matter of detail, for as soon as the main principle was settled, there was a rush to make the declaration of the platform binding and the result was the complete satisfaction of every delegate.

Expressions of opinions there were many, contests there were on the floor, but it was the generous rivalry of friends striving for honor rather than the hot blooded struggle of partisans, and when at length the doings of the day were ended, it was the feeling that the work was well done and that the future efforts promise to be as full of hope for the redemption of the Territory.

#### CONVENTION CALLED TO ORDER.

The convention began with applause, for the appearance of Chairman Robertson of the Republican Central Committee on the platform to call for order was the signal for a reception. Mr. Robertson after the reading of the convention call had it translated for the Hawaiian members.

Mr. Robertson then, on behalf of the

able of making a good presiding officer. J. L. Kaulukou seconded the motion. Holstein was elected and upon the appointment of Chairman Robertson was escorted to the chair by Judge Kaulukou and W. H. Rice. The appearance of Mr. Holstein was the signal for applause and the convention was quite in humor to hear his opening speech. He said:

#### CHAIRMAN HOLSTEIN'S ADDRESS.

Fellow Delegates and Fellow Citizens—I want to thank you most sincerely for this distinguished honor. I believe and I know that it is an honor. It is a great honor to be a temporary presiding officer for the Republican convention. I shall not detain you long in what little I have to say; only to tell you that you all know what the Republican party is. You all know what it has accomplished; you know what are its leaders; you know what it can do and what it expects of each of us, and therefore, gentlemen, we are here on business and we must expedite business. I want also to tell you that the Republican party in these islands is young, strong, conscious of its power, united, popular, and growing; and, in my best judgment, the Grand Old Party here was never in better state or more determined to win than at the present time. (Applause.)

There is every incentive for success and every promise of victory. The battle cry is now for an intelligent, economical and business-like legislature, and we claim that it can only be effected through the medium of the Republican party. (Applause.)

H. L. Holstein of Hawaii, Permanent Chairman.

Territorial Central Committee, thanked the gentlemen assembled for their support since the beginning of the organization and expressed a trust that they would turn the organization over to their successors in at least as good a shape as they had received it. The large attendance proved that the Republican party was alive and vigorous throughout the group. As there was much business to be done he would now call for the election of a temporary president.

As soon as Mr. Robertson called for nominations Senator Achi was on his feet and at once placed in nomination H. L. Holstein, of Kohala. He said the man he named was a young Republican who was heart and soul in the fight and that he was thoroughly ca-

gated by the missionaries, to which category we belong. The time has come now, and the people demand, a change, and they are going to get this change, and when it comes to a question like this, and a very important one, fusion between the Democrats, the Portuguese, the Kuokas and the Republicans is desirable, and I hope that our friends in the minority will defer to the will of the majority, so that the defeat of Wilcox may be accomplished. I believe, my friends, that these parties are actuated with the same motive, the same resolution, and the same desire that has brought us together, and that is to devise ways and means whereby Wilcox may be hurried forever. (Applause.) Since my arrival here I have been doing a little missionary work among the Home Rulers. From what I have seen and from what I have heard, I can truthfully say that you



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## PLATFORM OF PARTY AS REPORTED TO CONVENTION

To the Chairman and Members of the Third Republican Territorial Convention of Hawaii:

Your committee on platform beg leave to submit the following platform for adoption by this convention:

Platform of the Republican Party of the Territory of Hawaii:

The Republican party of the Territory of Hawaii, in convention assembled, hereby make the following declaration of principles, to the support of which we and our candidates are pledged:

1. We proclaim anew our adherence to the traditions and policies of the Republican party and announce our unswerving allegiance to the principles of that party as contained in its national platform adopted in Philadelphia in 1900.

2. To President Roosevelt we accord our most cordial endorsement for his mastery administration of national affairs and the faithfulness with which he has carried out the principles of Republicanism and we are proud of his ability, his courage and his sturdy Americanism.

3. We believe in the equality of all men under just laws and in the right of every man to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness and we shall emphatically and uncompromisingly oppose any restriction or limitation of the suffrage which we now enjoy under the Organic Act.

4. We demand the passage of an act by the next Legislature establishing county governments in Hawaii modeled after the most advanced and popular systems elsewhere and containing a clause submitting the act to the voters for ratification at a special election to be called for that purpose; and we further demand the passage of a general municipal government act by which such municipalities, so desired, may establish cities, towns and villages.

5. We urge Congress to appropriate such an amount as will pay the awards of the fire claims commission and pledge ourselves to use every effort to obtain such appropriation.

6. We urge continued liberal appropriations for the maintenance of our unfortunate fellow citizens segregated at Kalaupapa and Kalawao, Molokai, and for the erection and maintenance of a suitable home for the non-leprosy children of leprosy parents.

7. We shall as speedily as possible endeavor to secure statehood for this Territory.

8. We demand more speedy improvement of our harbors, wharfrage and landing facilities throughout the Territory to meet the requirements of our rapidly increasing commerce and we shall strive to secure from the Nation-

al Congress appropriations for the improvement of our harbors, the erection of public buildings and for other public needs.

9. We favor the employment on all public works of only qualified voters and citizens of the Territory and we declare that eight hours should constitute a day's work on all public works of the Territory or its political subdivisions.

10. We favor the continuance by the Legislature of a permanent settlement upon ex-Queen Liliuokalani.

11. We recognize the importance of diversified industries and shall endeavor to secure from Congress the protection of the same from foreign competition.

12. We demand the revision of the present system of taxation by the next Legislature with a view of adjusting the public burden so as to be least felt by the poor.

13. We do not favor legislation tending toward the conducting of the liquor business by the Territorial government.

14. We earnestly request the Congress of the United States to amend that portion of Territorial act which provides that the English language only shall be used in the legislative proceedings, so as to permit the use of the Hawaiian language.

15. We oppose all trusts and monopolies and all combinations tending to control supplies and prices.

16. We demand liberal appropriations for school buildings throughout the Territory, to provide ample accommodations for all children of school age.

17. We urge liberal appropriations for the improvement and maintenance of the public highways throughout the Territory.

18. The only manner in which the country can receive the benefit of Republican principles is through the election of Republican candidates. To succeed at the polls it is essential that the party be fully organized and thoroughly united. The best method of securing organization is through the institution of every man who believes in the doctrines of the Republican party to become a member of the Republican club of his election precinct and the duty of every Republican club to heartily and unitedly support the nominees of the Republican party.

Relying upon the wisdom and support of the voters of the Territory of Hawaii and the guidance of Divine Providence, we shall earnestly strive to carry out the foregoing declarations and to do whatever else may be necessary to perpetuate upon our soil "a government of the people, by the people and for the people."

## Democrats Decide to Become Home Rulers for the Sake of Offices.

### Many Conferences Result in an Agreement to Consolidate the Two Parties on Spoils Basis.

DEMOCRACY practically changed its name last night to Home Ruleism, when the local party of Democrats adopted the report of a subcommittee through its chairman, Col. McCarthy, to effect a fusion with the Home Rule party and place R. W. Wilcox at the head of the van as their standard bearer. This morning a committee consisting of Col. McCarthy, Frank Harvey and Fred Hayselden will confer with a committee appointed by the Home Rulers to agree upon the representation that each party will have upon the legislative ticket. Robert Wilcox will head the fusion ticket for delegate to Congress.

The Democrats held a meeting last night in Waverley hall to hear the report of the sub-committee appointed by the general committee on fusion, and adopted the report to fuse with the Home Rulers, without much dissent. In fact, the Democrats claimed that the Democratic and Home Rule parties were one and the same thing, and that Wilcox, if elected by the combination, would have a good deal to say in Washington next session despite statements to the contrary that the delegate from Hawaii would have to be in harmony with the Republican party which was now in control of the administration.

When the meeting was called to order, Col. McCarthy for the general committee arose and stated that the subcommittee had practically effected a fusion with the Home Rulers, and asked for the rejection or adoption of the report. Dr. Noblitt moved that the report of the committee be adopted, and it was carried. The Democrats, who had previously lambasted Wilcox to the best of their ability, then arose and began to tell how much they had always admired him, both personally and politically.

Col. Cornwell stated his position in the matter, saying that the fusion with the Home Rulers was the only thing the Democrats could do, and although he was a good Democrat, yet he saw no other course open than to endorse Wilcox.

Fred Terrill said he had opposed Wilcox, but if the Democratic party joined with the Home Rulers he would tell every Hawaiian that it was the best move that had ever been made. He said the Republicans had taken a lantern to look for a man to head the ticket and were doing anything "to beat Wilcox." To him this was insincere. He said this was not for the benefit of the Home Rulers. He said the Republicans had gone to Cupid and asked whether he would run on their ticket to beat Wilcox. He wanted to know if this was sincerity to "us." The administration at Washington had promised a Republican victory in Hawaii this fall, and to that end have been looking for a candidate to beat Wilcox. He thought Wilcox was the man for the Democrats, and was an eminently proper man to head their ticket.

Frank Harvey spoke in a similar vein saying, "When the wind blows we must follow the wind in order to win the day."

Charles Creighton said he heartily endorsed Cornwell, and like Cornwell, the Democratic national committeeman, he

would vote for and stand for Wilcox through thick and thin. That was the true spirit of the true Democrat. He was glad they had fused with Wilcox, for it meant victory. It meant to him the combination of the people "against the autocratic clique who, under the head and name of Republican, is tyrannizing the Territory." The Democrats and Home Rulers would stand by the ticket to demonstrate to Washington and all over the United States "that these special, paid envoys who have gone to Washington and belittled the Home Rulers and us (Democrats), are nobodies."

"It has been said that Wilcox did not accomplish anything at Washington," said Creighton. "Why, even the Republicans from Boston, where the missionaries here spring from—"

"I'm from Boston myself," said Col. McCarthy, interrupting.

"Don't succeed in doing much the first session," continued Creighton. "Wilcox went as neither Democrat nor Republican, but he went after beating the Democrats and Republicans. He could not affiliate with them, because they could not take him up."

"Next time, however, he will go to Washington with the support of the Democrats and Home Rulers, and will then have something to say."

Tom Lucas said he was born a Democrat; that was his only reason for being one now. He said he did not dislike Wilcox. Wilcox was not a bad man. He apologized for Wilcox's failure to get anything for Hawaii on the ground that it was his first session and he did not know the ropes. He understood it was a Democrat who introduced Wilcox to McKinley. McKinley was a better Democrat than a Republican, in his opinion.

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